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Dear Secretary,

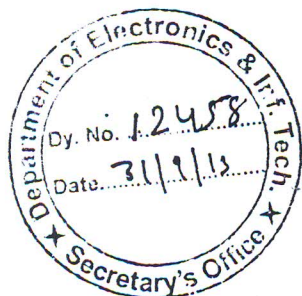
As per the National Data Sharing and Accessibility Policy (NDSAP), all the Ministries are required to place non-sensitive data generated by the Departments using public funds, in the public domain for open access and use by the citizens. While majority of the Departments have nominated Data Controllers in terms of the policy, the progress in uploading data-sets by the Ministries is less than satisfactory. We need to correct the situation and capture fully the principles of NDSAP. Accordingly, following suggestions are made for an early implementation of the policy:

1. To begin with, the head of NIC team in the Ministry can be asked to explore and identify the potential datasets available for uploading.
  2. The Ministry may provide formal approval for release of datasets so identified by the NIC in open domain. Ministry may also provide necessary financial/human resources to prepare, publish and update the datasets along with associated metadata in the Data Portal.
  3. Meanwhile the Ministry may establish NDSAP Cell (as described in guidelines issued earlier) on priority to provide sustainability to the initiative.
  4. NIC would also include a chapter in the implementation guidelines on the auto provisioning of requisite data in Open Format for all existing & eGov applications being implemented, so as to ensure that the datasets once uploaded remain current in future.
2. Appropriate action may be taken in this regard.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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